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## US won't 'wait for long' for Syria arms plan

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States is waiting to see a Russian proposal to put Syria's chemical weapons stock under international control, but will not wait for long, top diplomat John Kerry said Tuesday.

While everyone was hopeful the move could be "a real solution to the crisis," said Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel, he warned the threat of "credible, real" US military action had to remain on the table.

Kerry alleged Syria had about "1,000 metric tonnes of numerous chemical weapons" including components for mustard and sarin gas, some of which was unmixed, and some of which was stored in tanks.

"Yesterday, we challenged the regime to turn them over to the secure control of the international community so that they could be destroyed," he told lawmakers.

Such a move "would be the ultimate way to degrade and deter" the arsenal held by Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, he told the House Armed Services Committee.

US experts were already working on how to carry out such an "exceedingly difficult" task, he said, as Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov mulls a proposal on reining in Syria's chemical

weapons.

"We're waiting for that proposal. But we're not waiting for long," Kerry said.

President Barack Obama - "will take a hard look at it, but it has to be swift. It has to be real. It has to be verifiable," Kerry insisted.

He added, however, that "nothing had changed" with respect to Obama's call for Congress to vote to approve a limited military strike on the Syrian regime, accused of using sarin gas in an attack near Damascus last month.

"We must be very clear-eyed and ensure that it is not a stalling tactic by Syria and its Russian patrons," Hagel said of the Russian proposal.

"The threat of a US military action, the credible, real threat of US military action, must continue as we are talking today," he insisted.

The United States had "a full range of options" in any military action aimed at degrading Syria's chemical weapons stock which could target "the command and control of those who chose to use them, the means of delivery, and some of the other resources that the regime uses to protect itself," said top military officer General Martin Dempsey.

"Importantly, the president has not yet given me the final decision on those target packages," he told lawmakers.

## Governor Fredis Refunjol officially opens Parliamentary sessions 2013-2014



Aruba's Parliament began their 2013-2014 sessions yesterday, September 10, with the

annual ritual of Governor Fredis Refunjol, the Dutch Monarchy's official represen-

tative on Aruba, presenting a "State of the Union" address. Continued on pg 2

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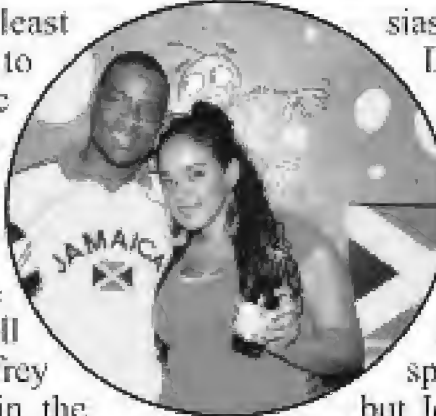


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## Governor Fredis Refunjol officially opens Parliamentary sessions 2013-2014

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Prior to speaking to parliament members and various officials, including Prime Minister Mike Eman, Governor Refunjol and his wife, Clarette, were welcomed outside the parliament building on L.G. Smith Boulevard in Oranjestad by an honor guard of the Royal Dutch Marines. The Orkestra Harmonico Arubano played Aruba's National Anthem "Aruba Dushi Terra," and the governor was escorted to the parliamentary suite.

Governor Refunjol's discourse touched on the many

issues that lawmakers will address over the coming year, and one of the most historic to take place in 2013, the inauguration of a new monarch, with HRM King Willem-Alexander ascending to the throne on April 30. He also mentioned that the King and Queen Maxima are expected for a royal visit in November, "which will allow are people the opportunity to become acquainted with their new monarch, and he with us."

Before declaring the new parliament officially in session, he mentioned the need



for responsible governance, and the changes that will very possibly be taking place in 17 days, when Aruba will conduct their elections held every four years for the seats of parliament. Until that time, those presently in office should think of the legacy they will leave those that may follow them.

"Our government must operate in a responsible and diligent many to insure our sustainability and prosperity for one and all," he reminded the gathering. "We must adapt to a new system and present and future needs."

Governor Refunjol described Aruba as "an example of a living democracy," and charged the legislators to remember that "confidence in our government is para-

mount." President of Parliament Paul Croes thanked the Governor for his remarks and

the guidance they will provide legislators during their tenure.

By Rosalie Klein

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## Chief of Police Richardson: More equipment means better security for everyone!



**Dolfi Richardson**

Last Monday at the office of the Minister of Justice Arthur Dowers the announcement was made on the approval of the financing by FDA of a special project to entail surveillance cameras. Chief of Police, Dolfi Richardson remarked, I am thrilled that the police force can receive this

implemented and as a result required a meticulous preliminary process. The commission installed back in 2010 by the Minister worked on the planning and project. Representatives of the commission were the Police Corpse, Public Prosecutor's Office, and the department of National Security.

They consulted with American experts with respect to the installation and management of security cameras in public areas.

The first phase now is to allow a public bidding by different companies which will take one week. The announcement of a public bid has been communicated.

They intend to install over 200 cameras at different locations known by the police to be problem areas and areas frequented by tourists as well as locals. The system is expected to be operational 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Supervision will take place from a "camera room" and will be monitored by police agents.

Police Chief, Dolfi Richardson, has already remarked that in the future the Police Corpse may "tap into" the existing systems of private partners so that they may have access to even more surveillance areas.



**Min. Dowers**

facility; these instruments will help us continue offering the security we need to combat crimes in our community.

According to Richardson, this is the very first time that a project of this kind has been

## All employees entitled to 4 hours to exercise their right to vote



The Minister of Labor has announced that on September 27th, Election Day, all employees are legally entitled to 4 hours free from work in order to vote on Election Day. This announcement is based on the legal Electoral Ordinance.

Article 39 of the Electoral Ordinance states that Election Day begins at 8:00 in the morning and ends at 7:00 in the evening.

The Minister considers it very important that all employers as well as employees understand the ruling of article 40 of the Electoral Ordinance to avoid any confusion as to what are free time for each sector of the community.

As employer it is imperative that each employee get the allotted time to exercise their right to vote during the stipulated time that the voting booths are open.

Employees working between the voting hours of 8:00am to 7:00 p.m. in the evening have the right to 4 consecutive hours free to go and vote. This is not the case in the event that the employee has sufficient time in his schedule to go and vote before he begins his work schedule. In such a case, he does not have any right to these 4 hours.

Employers are required to have a schedule prepared at

least one week before Election Day.

For clarity: someone working from 7:30 to 12:00 mid-day and from 1:00 to 4:00 pm must get free from 7:00 to 11:00 in the morning, or from 12:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon.

In the event the employee who works part time from 8 a.m. to 12:00 mid-day or works shift, he does not qualify for the 4 hours free from

work to vote. Also, for someone working shift which begins at 7:00 in the morning and ends at 3:00 in the afternoon, or from 12:00 mid-day to 8:00 in the evening, or a shift from 3:00 in the afternoon to 11:00 at night.

Every employer is urged to adhere to the rules of the law. And employees should take advantage of their right to vote and to do so conscientiously.

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## Venezuela quits regional human rights court

CARACAS (AFP) - Venezuela withdrew from a regional human rights court on Tuesday, fulfilling the wishes of late president Hugo Chavez to the dismay of activists who fear the state may commit abuses.

President Nicolas Maduro wrote on Twitter that the Costa Rica-based Inter-American Court of Human Rights had become "an instrument for the protection of US geopolitical interests in (Latin) America and to persecute progressive governments."

International and local human rights groups had urged the government to reconsider its decision, which will affect new cases but not those filed prior to Venezuela's withdrawal from the court's jurisdiction.

The withdrawal came one year to the day after Chavez began the process to pull out of the court by formally denouncing the American Convention on Human Rights. The United States, Canada and several Caribbean nations have not ratified the convention.

The convention allows individuals who exhaust all legal avenues in their countries to petition the Washington-based Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, which then decides whether to refer the case to the court in San Jose, Costa Rica.

Venezuela remains part of the commission, however, because withdrawing from it would require leaving the Organization of American

States (OAS). But it has barred the commission -- which drafts reports on a nation's human rights situation -- from visiting the country since 2002.

"Venezuela's exit from the court is an enormous step backwards," said opposition leader Henrique Capriles, claiming that the decision violates the country's constitution.

On Monday, the opposition petitioned the commission to review allegations of fraud in the April 14 election to succeed Chavez, which Maduro won by a razor-thin margin against Capriles.

Chavez decided to withdraw from the convention last year after the court condemned the "inhumane and degrading treatment" of one of its nationals, Raul Diaz Pena, who claims that he was tortured during six years' incarceration in a Venezuelan prison.

Diaz Pena had been jailed for his alleged role in bomb attacks against diplomatic missions of Spain and Colombia in 2003.

## Oranje naar het WK! The Netherlands first European side to qualify for the World Cup 2014



Three-time World Cup runner-up the Netherlands qualified for the finals in Brazil next year after Robin van Persie broke down a stubborn Andorra defense with two second-half goals in a 2-0 win on Tuesday. With Turkey beating second-place Romania 2-0 in Bucharest, Louis van Gaal's team can no longer be caught with two rounds to go in Group D. In the other group match, Hungary easily beat Estonia 5-1 in Budapest. Even before the final whistle, a small group of Dutch fans in Andorra unfurled a large orange-flanked Brazil flag to celebrate the qualification. The Netherlands dominated possession, but Andorra's aggressive defense restricted the Dutch to just a handful of attempts in the first half before Van Persie's second-half brace sealed the match and World Cup finals qualification.

## Danish bank worker fired for Facebook rant wins damages

COPENHAGEN (AFP) - A Danish bank worker who was fired for using Facebook to tell late-running customers to "go to hell" has won a dispute with her former employer, her union said Tuesday.

The Danish pensions administrator logged on to the social networking site to vent on December 28 -- the last business day of the year in Denmark -- after being inundated with requests from clients.

"Holidays! Go to hell, people who remember to make deposits into children's savings accounts and pensions on the last business day of the year! There are 364 other days of the year when you can call about that," she wrote in a status update littered with expletives.

The woman was fired after a colleague took a screen shot of her Facebook rant and alerted their employer on January 3.

However, an employment tribunal found she should have been let off with just a warning, and ordered the bank to pay her just under eight months' worth of wages in compensation.

The colleague who reported the incident later refused to testify, which is believed to have helped her colleague's case against the bank, the Financial Services Union Denmark said in a statement, without naming

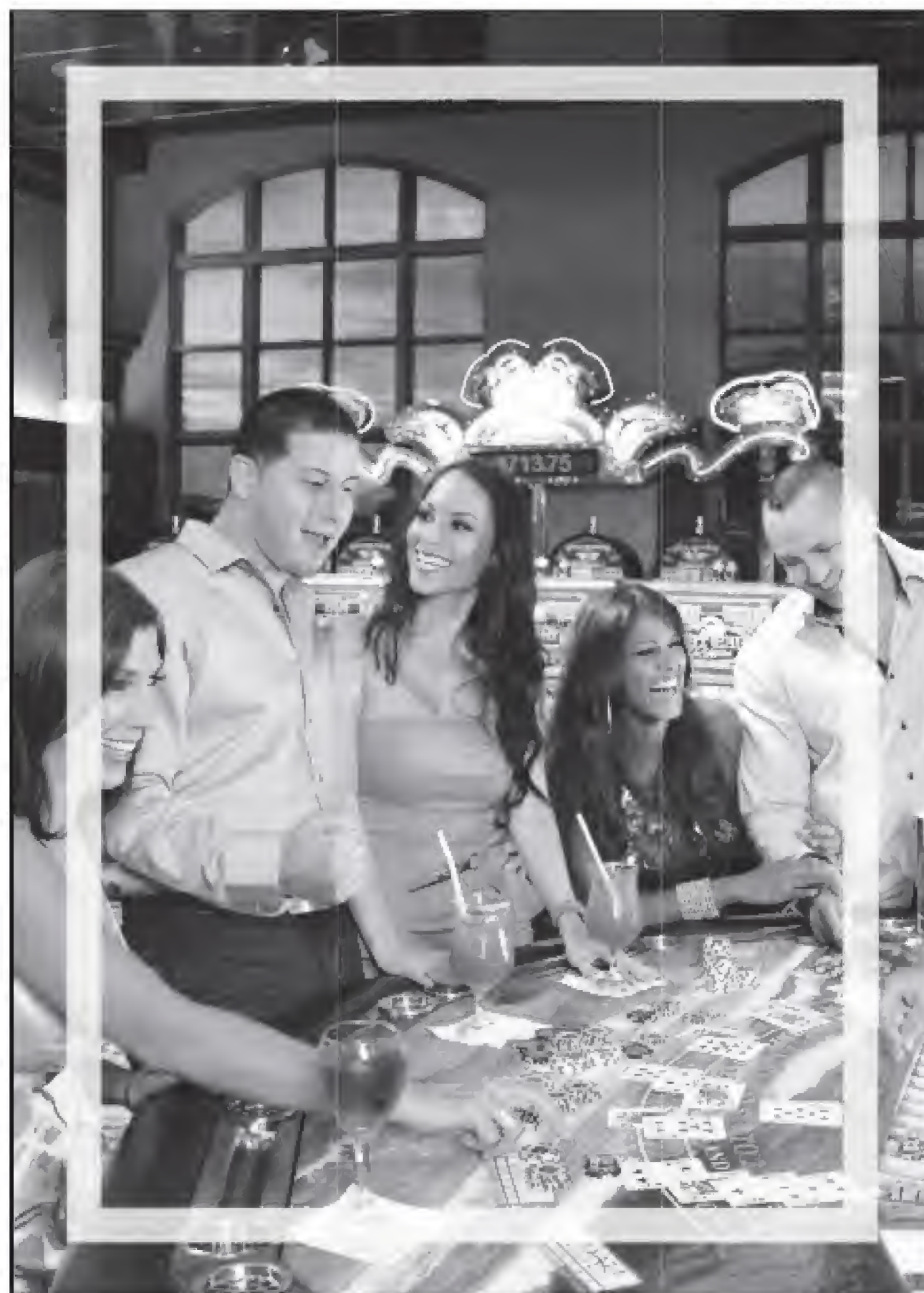
the bank.

The woman realised that what she had done was wrong, but felt that the punishment didn't fit the crime, the union quoted her as saying.

She admitted to rarely writing anything on Facebook since losing her job.

"If you can only write what a lovely day it is today, and see how beautiful my children are, then there's no point," she said.





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## US stocks rise; Apple falls after launching 2 iPhones

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - US stocks rose Tuesday on better Chinese economic data and easing concerns about Syria, despite a fall in Apple shares following the launch of two new iPhones.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average jumped 127.94 (0.85 percent) to 15,191.06.

The broad-based S&P 500 increased 12.28 (0.73 percent) to 1,683.99, while the tech-rich Nasdaq Composite Index put on 22.84 (0.62 percent) at 3,729.02.

Technology icon Apple, the largest US company by market capitalization, suffered one of the biggest declines among large companies, falling 2.3 percent after chief executive Tim

Cook and other top officials unveiled two new iPhones.

Apple fielded a top-line iPhone 5S and a lower-cost iPhone 5C aimed at competing with rival low-cost smartphones, most of which use Google's Android operating system.

Some analysts expressed disappointment with the launch. Bank of America said the smartphones would have difficulty competing in the lower-end market "unless Apple is willing to give up subsidy/margin, which it doesn't typically do."

Meanwhile, the broader market surged to a second straight day of solid gains.

China's industrial production rose in August at its fastest rate in 17 months, ac-

cording to official data providing further evidence of a pick-up in the world's second-largest economy.

Tuesday's gains came as investors continued to hope that a proposal by Russia to place Syria's chemical weapons under international control could avert a US military strike.

The operator of the Dow index, S&P Dow Jones Indices, announced it would drop Alcoa, Bank of America and Hewlett-Packard from the 30-stock blue-chip index on September 23, replacing them with Goldman Sachs, Nike and Visa.

The Dow cited the low stock values of the companies that were dropped and a "desire to diversify the sector and industry group representation of the index."

Goldman Sachs rose 3.5 percent, Nike jumped 2.2 percent and Visa increased 3.4 percent. Alcoa slipped 0.3 percent, Bank of America gained 0.9 percent and Hewlett-Packard fell 0.4 percent.

Video streaming service Netflix surged 6.4 percent following a deal with British cable operator Virgin Media to make the service available to subscribers.

## Space Cadets line up for one-way Mars trip

WASHINGTON (AFP) -

More than 200,000 people from 140 countries have applied to be the first human settlers on Mars, the group behind the project to colonize the red planet said Monday.

Bas Lansdorp, a Dutch entrepreneur, plans to establish a permanent base on Mars in a mission he hopes will take off in 2022 if he can find the necessary \$6 billion.

One in four of the 202,586 applicants come from the United States, said Mars One, the non-profit group which initiated its hunt for "would-be Mars settlers" in April.

There are also hopefuls from India (10 percent), China (six percent) and Brazil (five percent), among

other countries, it said.

By 2015, Mars One expects put up to 10 four-member teams through intensive training, with one of those teams proceeding to Mars in 2023 on a one-way trip that would take seven months to complete.

Space agencies including NASA have expressed skepticism about the viability of Lansdorp's plan, saying the technology to establish a human colony on Mars does not exist.

Mars One says on its website that the mission is a decade-long endeavor, with funding intended to come from the global audience of an interactive, televised broadcast of every aspect of the mission.



### Oil Products prices

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The Ministry of Economic, Social and Cultural Affairs announces the retail prices for the following oil products as per September 11, 2013

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## NSA documents show spy agency violated privacy rules

WASHINGTON, September 10, 2013 (AFP) - US intelligence officials declassified documents on Tuesday that showed the National Security Agency violated privacy rules when it sifted through phone records of Americans without legal justification.

The government was forced to disclose the documents by a judge's order after a Freedom of Information lawsuit filed by the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a non-profit group promoting digital privacy rights and free speech.

The foundation called the release of the documents a "victory" for transparency as intelligence officials said the papers illustrated how the spy service had made unintentional "mistakes" that were rectified under strict judicial oversight.

The government "didn't release these new NSA docs out of the goodness of their heart," the foundation wrote in a tweet. "They were compelled to by @EFF's lawsuit."

The documents, including hundreds of pages of court orders, reveal privacy violations from 2006 to 2009 in NSA's collection of phone records or "metadata," as part of the agency's effort to track potential terror plots.

The release came after the scale of NSA spying was exposed in a series of bombshell media leaks in recent months by former US intelligence contractor Edward Snowden, who has sought asylum in Russia.

Trying to defuse the firestorm over American electronic surveillance, President Barack Obama has called on US intelligence agencies to release more classified documents to shed light on the spying effort, which he has defended as a legitimate bid to prevent terror attacks.

According to papers released Tuesday, the NSA reported privacy violations to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, which found

that the spy service was scooping up data "from United States persons not under investigation by the FBI," according to a court order.

The declassified documents expose testy exchanges between the NSA and the court, with judges castigating the agency for failing to abide by their orders and misrepresenting the nature of their data collection.

The NSA had searched through thousands of phone records "in a manner that appears to be directly contrary to the above-quoted order and directly contrary to the sworn attestations of several executive branch officials," judge Reggie Walton wrote.

However, national intelligence director James Clapper said in a statement the documents "demonstrate that the government has undertaken extraordinary measures to identify and correct mistakes" in the telephone data collection program.

And they show the government had worked "to prevent such mistakes from occurring in the first place," he said.

## New Yorkers slim down contenders to replace Bloomberg

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - New Yorkers were voting Tuesday for a Republican and a Democratic candidate who will battle it out in November to replace the city's billionaire Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

The Big Apple has been under the leadership of its richest man for 12 years and, amid much soul-searching over Bloomberg's legacy, many remain torn over who should succeed him.

"I really vacillated until the last minute," said Rosemary Wakeman, a professor at Fordham University, after voting in midtown Manhattan. Polls opened at 6am and will close at 9pm (0100GMT).

In the end, Wakeman went with left-leaning Democrat

Bill de Blasio, 52, who has firmly led polls since mid-August on an anti-Bloomberg platform, accusing the mayor of overseeing a widening gap between rich and poor.

"I became less supportive of Bloomberg's policies," said Wakeman outside the polling station where the lack of a queue bore testimony to New York's traditionally low turnout, though a coordinator said there had been "a good flow" of voters.

The city is overwhelmingly Democratic even though it has not elected a mayor from that party in two decades.

Candidates will have to secure 40 percent of the primary vote to avoid an October 1 run-off. The mayoral election is on November 1.

A Quinnipiac University poll on Monday said De Blasio would win with 39 percent if the mayoral election were held now.

Former frontrunner Christine Quinn, the city council's openly gay speaker, has presented herself as Bloomberg's natural successor, vaunting her accomplishments in office.

She was endorsed by the New York Times and the Daily News, but her support had waned to 18 percent just before the election.

Florence Packman said she would vote for Quinn as she is tough and has the most experience, but thought De Blasio would win.

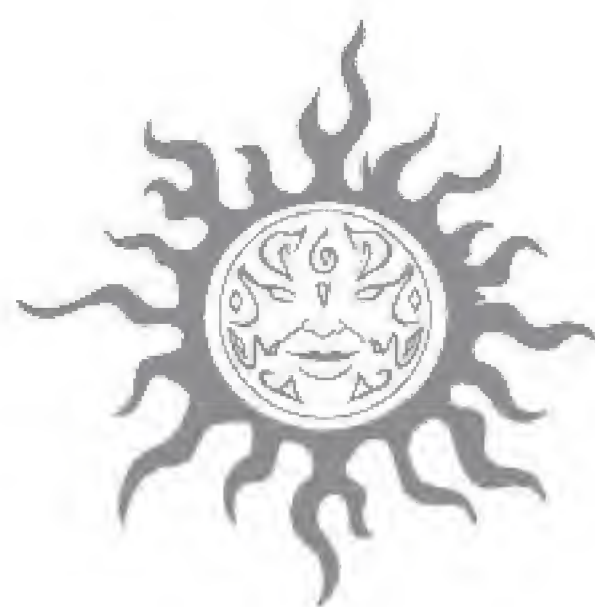
"I guess he looks more... maybe physically he is tall, he is handsome, he looks like the mayor of a big city."

Administrative assistant Sade Alleyne, 24, was torn between Quinn and De Blasio.

"I guess I will think about it a little longer. Both have very good points but I think Quinn has more of a handle over the city. I think he can deliver but not as much as she would."

The former city comptroller and sole African American candidate, Bill Thompson, was placed second by the pollsters, with 25 percent.

Thompson came close to beating Bloomberg in 2009, but has lost some support from black voters to De Blasio, who has campaigned hard against stop-and-frisk -- a police tactic loathed by minority communities who see themselves as unfairly tar-



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## International News

### British Asian girls 'hidden target of sex abuse gangs'

LONDON (AFP) - The sexual abuse of British girls of South Asian origin is going unreported because authorities tend to focus on gangs that target white youngsters, according to a study released on Tuesday.

Although there has been a series of high-profile British court cases in which men of South Asian heritage were convicted of sexually exploiting vulnerable white girls, authorities are failing to spot cases in which men target girls from their own ethnic group, the Muslim Women's Network UK said.

Asian girls are reluctant to report sexual abuse to the police because they fear that they will not be believed or that they will bring dishonour to their families, according to the group, which advises the British government on issues facing Muslim women.

The Muslim Women's Network said it had uncovered 35 cases in which young Asians had been sexually exploited. Most of the victims said their abusers were men from the same ethnic group.

Haleh Afshar, the group's

president, said there had been a "deafening silence" on the sexual abuse of young Asian girls.

"In all communities victims of such violence find it difficult to report sexual abuse and seek support. Among Asians and Muslims this is exacerbated by a culture of honour and shame," she wrote in a foreword to the report.

The group was unable to speak directly to the victims but said it had collected evidence from charities who had contact with them, as well as police, healthcare workers and other officials.

Sue Berelowitz, Deputy Children's Commissioner for England, said there was a widespread myth that gangs of Asian men were targeting only white girls, motivated by "hatred and contempt for white females".

In reality, sexual predators target the most accessible victims -- often those from the same ethnic background, she added.

The group admitted that it is difficult to estimate the scale of the abuse, and stressed it was also not clear whether or not Asian girls face greater exploitation than their white schoolmates.

Most of the victims were aged under 16 and two thirds of them were from Pakistani families, the report said.

Some of the girls were plied with drugs or alcohol before being passed around gangs of men, in cases similar to those involving white girls that have hit British headlines in recent months.

### Argentina detains Andes winter survivor on sex charge

BUENOS AIRES (AFP) - Argentine authorities have detained a 58-year-old Uruguayan recovering in a hospital bed after he survived four months in the freezing Andes while fleeing pedophilia charges, officials said Tuesday.

A judge in the western province of San Juan ordered the arrest of Raul Gomez Cincunegui in response to an extradition request from Chile, where he is wanted on child sex abuse charges.

Gomez Cincunegui was under custody at the Rawson Hospital, where he was flown after being found underweight and dehydrated near a mountain shelter, said Carlos Tacca, secretary for Judge Leopoldo Rago Gallo.

He survived below freezing temperatures in the snow-covered mountains by eating sugar and raisins left behind by mountain climbers in the Ingeniero Sardina shelter, according to rescuers.

His family reported him missing on May 11 after his mobile phone stopped working. Following his rescue, Chilean prosecutors revealed that Gomez Cincunegui had been formally accused on April 22 of sexually abusing an eight-year-old boy and that he had been barred from leaving the country.



SANTIAGO (AFP) - Part of a group of 1210 people can be seen laying down on the sidewalk along Alameda main avenue during a commemorative action in Santiago, yesterday. The group action was to represent the more than one thousand missing people during the dictatorship in Chile. The 40th anniversary of the military coup led by General Augusto Pinochet that deposed President Salvador Allende will be commemorated today.

### Switzerland ups legal prostitution age from 16 to 18

GENEVA (AFP) - The Swiss parliament voted Tuesday to raise the legal prostitution age from 16 to 18, tightening the country's liberal sex-trade laws to bring them in line with European standards.

The lower house of parliament voted to change the Swiss penal code to make it illegal to pay for sex with a minor, following suit after the upper house adopted the bill.

Until now, paying for sex with people above 16 -- the legal age of consent in Switzerland -- was legal in the small Alpine country.

With the law change, prostitutes between the ages of 16 and 18 will not face penalties, but clients who pay for sex with minors will face up to three years behind bars.

Anyone encouraging prostitution by minors, including pimps, and people running brothels or escort services, will face up to 10 years in prison.

The law change also raises the legal age to participate in pornography, making it a crime punishable by up to five years in jail to produce, import, promote, screen or possess pornography featuring minors.

Prostitution is legal and regulated in Switzerland, where it is considered a legitimate form of economic activity.

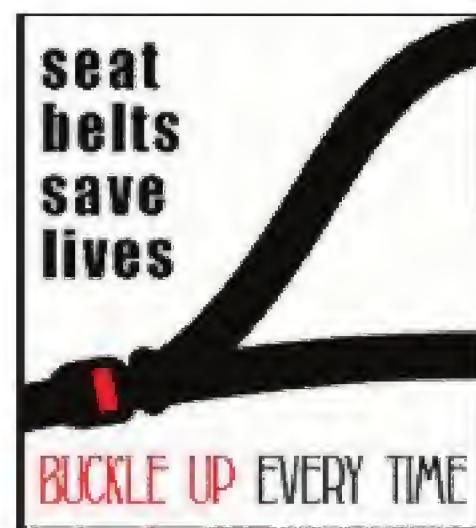
Last month, prostitution in Switzerland made global headlines when Zurich opened the country's first sex "drive-in", on the outskirts of town, in a bid to create a safer space for sex workers and remove the trade from the city centre.



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## Sci-Tech

# Apple tailors two new iPhones for world market



CUPERTINO (AFP) - Apple unveiled two new iPhones on Tuesday in its bid to expand its share of the smartphone market, including one as low as \$99 with a US carrier contract.

"The business has become so large that this year we are going to replace the iPhone 5 and we are going to replace it with two new designs," Apple chief Tim Cook announced at the company's Silicon Valley headquarters.

Apple will begin taking orders on Friday, and on September 20 the two devices will go on sale in the United States, Australia, Britain, China, France, Germany, Japan and Singapore.

The iPhone 5C is part of Apple's bid to counter the flood of low-cost smartphones from rivals, most of which use the Google Android operating system.

Apple designer Jony Ive said that despite the low cost, the

polycarbonate iPhone 5C with a steel frame "is beautiful."

The iPhone 5C with 16 gigabytes of memory will sell for as low as \$99 with a US carrier contract -- half the cost of earlier iPhone base models.

Analysts were keenly focused on the promise of an iPhone 5C to win over buyers in China and other developing markets where there is fierce competition from low-priced smartphones powered by Android.

The top-line iPhone 5S, which starts at \$199 with a contract, "is the most forward thinking phone we have ever created," said Apple vice president Phil Schiller.

"It is the gold standard in smartphones."

Schiller said the 5S model includes a speedier chip which brings up the computing power from 32 to 64 bits.

The 5S will also have improved battery life, with some 10 hours of talk time, or 40 hours of music listening, Schiller added.

Apple also introduced a fingerprint sensor for the iPhone 5S, as a new security measure in place of passwords.

Apple also broadened its color palette, announcing the low-cost phone in blue, white, pink, yellow and green, and the top-line model in silver, gold and a new "space gray."

Apple also said its iOS 7 software will debut September 18. It includes a free iTunes Radio Service featuring more than 200 stations "and an incredible catalog of music from the iTunes Store," Apple announced earlier this year.

The two new handsets keep the four-inch screen of current iPhones, despite some speculation Apple would boost the size to compete with larger phones from rivals like Samsung.

Apple announced separately a deal with Japan's biggest mobile phone carrier NTT DoCoMo to bring the two new iPhones to that country.

The smartphone market is now dominated by Android devices, with roughly three-fourths of all handsets, but a forecast by research firm IDC suggested Apple will increase its share this year to 17.9 percent from 16.9 percent.

Cantor Fitzgerald analyst Brian White said the new low-cost device will help Apple broaden its appeal.



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## Twitter buys mobile advertising startup

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) - Twitter is moving deeper into mobile advertising with the purchase of MoPub, a startup focusing on mobile ad exchanges.

The acquisition announced late Monday was estimated to be worth some \$350 million, according to the technology news site TechCrunch. Weil said Twitter also plans to use

MoPub's technology "to build real-time bidding into the Twitter ads platform so our advertisers can more easily automate and scale their buys."

MoPub's technology lets mobile application publishers manage their inventory and optimize multiple sources of advertising -- direct ads, house ads, ad network, and real-time bidding through the MoPub Marketplace," Twitter's Kevin Weil said in a blog post.

"The two major trends in the ad world right now are the rapid consumer shift toward mobile usage, and the industry shift to programmatic buying. Twitter sits at the intersection of these, and we think by bringing MoPub's technology and team to Twitter, we can further drive these trends for the benefit of consumers, advertisers, and agencies."

Twitter earlier this year began to allow ads to be targeted at users based on the words written in tweets.

The fast-growing social network is expected to earn \$582.8 million globally in ad revenue this year and nearly \$1 billion next year, according to industry tracker eMarketer. It remains privately held, but a number of reports indicate the company may launch an initial public offering.

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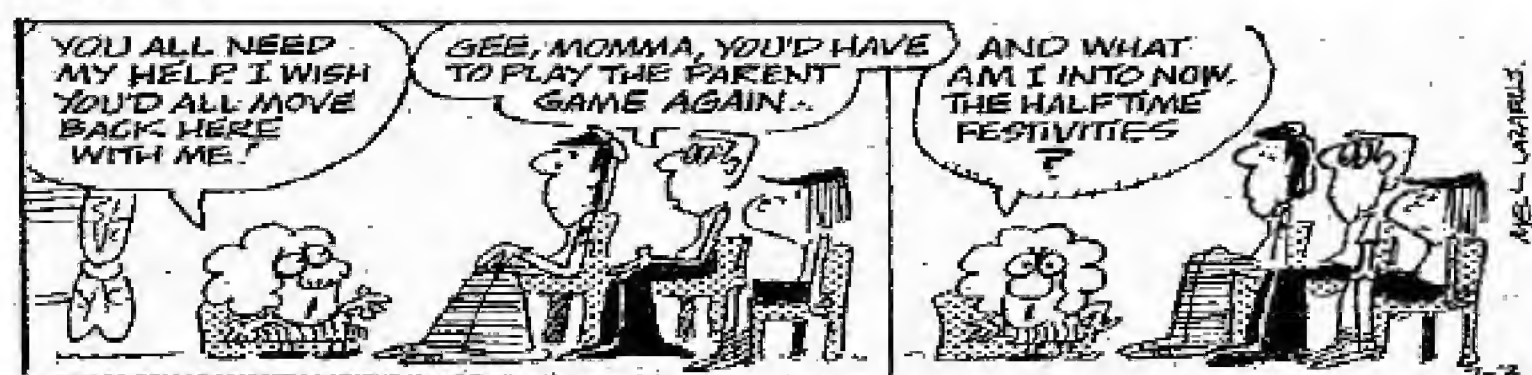


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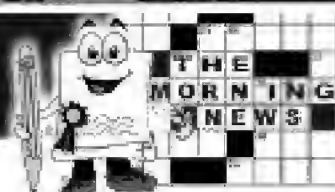
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## ACROSS

1. Will beneficiary
5. Air-rifle ammo
8. Scarlets and crimsons
12. Writer Stanley Gardner
13. False statement
14. Edison's middle name
15. Tormé and Brooks
16. Actress Lupino
17. Skyscraper, e.g. (abbr.)
18. Leia's "Star Wars" hero
20. Catch a criminal
22. Not tight
24. Cricket noise
27. Incompetent
28. Narc's org.
29. "\_\_\_ a Camera" (2 wds.)
31. Budge
32. Holds
33. Raring to go
34. Edgar Allan \_\_\_
35. Bland fish
36. Cowgirl Dale
37. Dwarf planet
39. October birthstones
40. Upper-classmen (abbr.)
41. Damage slightly
42. Curved gateway
45. Clock numeral
47. Some PCs
51. Canter
52. Superlative suffix
53. Mrs. Dithers of "Blondie"
54. "King \_\_\_"
55. Chambers (abbr.)
56. "Spartacus," e.g.
9. Building extension
10. Movie-at-home format (abbr.)
11. Sink down
19. Caught in the \_\_\_
21. "Just as I thought!"
22. Be nosy
23. Smooth
25. Adversary
26. Distresses
27. Rascalion
28. June celebrant
30. Physicians (abbr.)
32. Indiana native
33. Greediness
35. Middle (abbr.)
36. Clean air agcy.
38. Wedding attendant

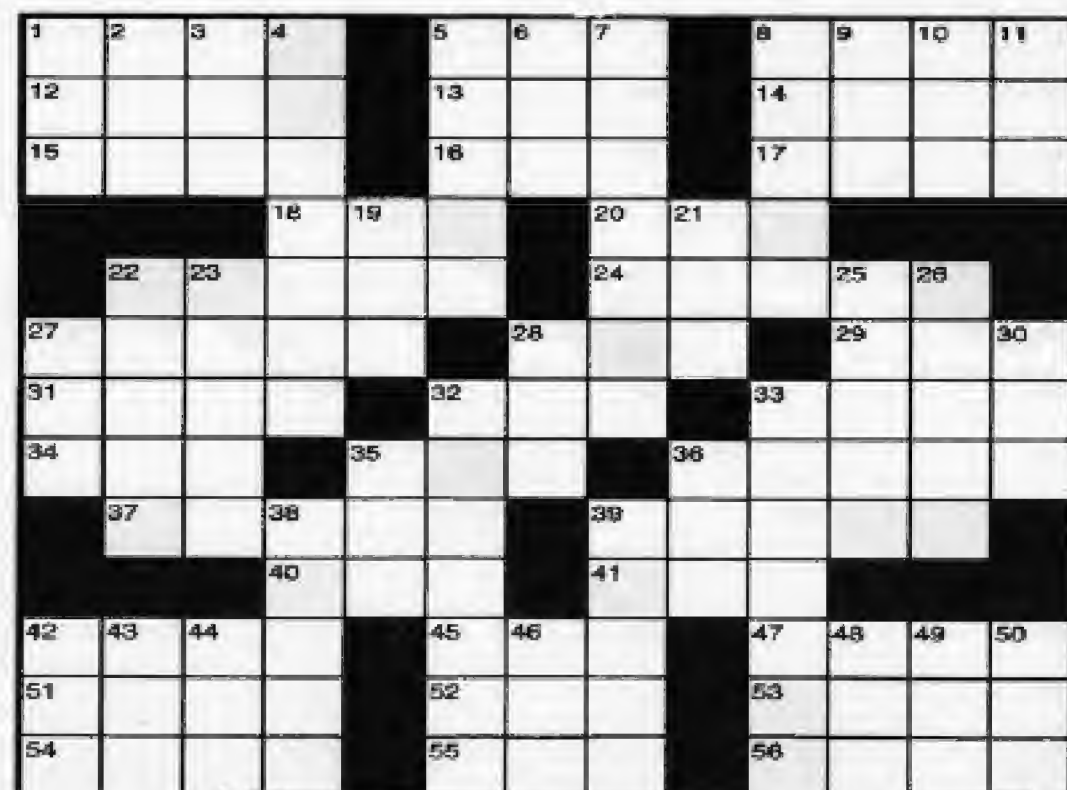
## DOWN

1. Finish a home ec project
2. Bard's "before"
3. Sick
4. Mold anew
5. Involuntary wink
6. Bridge action
7. "Rap" sessions
8. Synagogue
9. Skips
42. Lion's share plus
43. Shad \_\_\_
44. Likely IRS worker
46. Suffix for a doctrine
48. Baby \_\_\_ (Barney's little pal)
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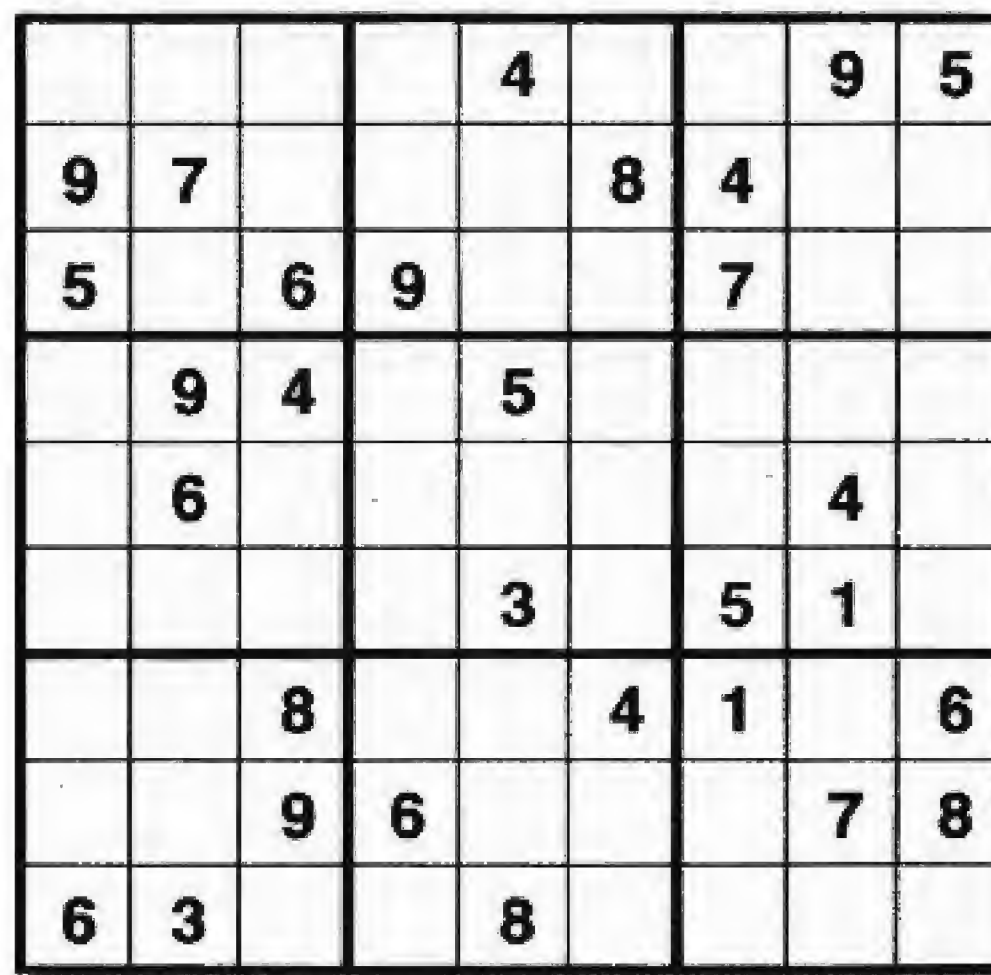
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Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9. A number is Never repeated in a row or column. In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9.





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Switzerland	CHF	191.71	192.43	191.65
Netherlands	EUR	230.59	232.69	232.18
Sweden	SEK	25.91	26.63	27.68
Denmark	DKK	30.23	30.95	32.18
Norway	NOK	30.67	31.39	30.55
Japan	JPY	214.88	216.84	179.35

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## S&P downgrades Argentina after US bond case ruling

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Standard and Poor's cut Argentina's already low-level sovereign debt rating by one notch to CCC+ on Tuesday, after the country lost a key case over bond repayments in New York.

"The lawsuit could result in the interruption of payments on bonds currently under New York jurisdiction, or it could prompt Argentina to undertake a debt exchange that we could view as distressed," the ratings agency said.

If either happens, S&P said, it would have to cut its rating again to "selective default", meaning the country has defaulted on payments on some

but not all of its debt.

S&P said there is a one-in-three chance of that happening in the next 12 months.

**LONDON (AFP) - Oil prices fell sharply for a second day running Tuesday on easing fears of a possible military strike on Syria, analysts said.**

Brent North Sea crude for October shed \$2.34 to stand at \$111.38 a barrel in late London deals.

New York's main contract, West Texas Intermediate for October, slid \$2.36 to \$107.16 a barrel.

Crude futures had on Monday begun falling from 28-month highs reached last Friday on Syria-fuelled supply tensions.

The New York benchmark last week shot up to \$110.53 a barrel, the highest level since May 2011.

Libyan oil exports plunged more than 70 percent in August after protesters, including policemen and border guards, forced export terminals to shut over demands for back pay.

### YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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## FINANCE

### Dollar slips vs. euro as Syria strike risk eases

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - The dollar weakened against the euro Tuesday on signs that the risk of a US-led military strike on Syria was easing.

The euro bought \$1.3266 around 2200 GMT, up from \$1.3250 late Monday.

The dollar rose against the Japanese currency, to 100.40 yen from 99.59 yen, while the euro advanced to 133.29 yen from 131.97.

The dollar was losing its safe-haven allure after Russia's proposal for Syria to turn over its chemical weapons to international control gained traction, said Kathy Lien of BK Asset Management.

Since the idea was first floated on Monday, it has garnered growing global support and the United States, France and Britain were now working on a resolution to go before the United Nations.

"While a final decision still hasn't been made, there's a growing chance the US government will opt for a diplomatic versus military solution and that would ease demand for US dollars," Lien said.

President Barack Obama's televised speech on Syria, scheduled at 9:00 pm local time (0100 GMT Wednesday), was expected to be closely monitored amid the

fast-changing situation.

"The speech is likely to focus on finding a diplomatic solution while reserving the right for military action should Syria fail to comply," Briefing.com analysts said.

"Adding to the favorable market mood is today's economic news from China, including stronger growth in the retail and industrial sectors," said Nick Bennenbroek of Wells Fargo Securities.

The British pound firmed to \$1.5733 from \$1.5695 late Monday.

The dollar rose to 0.9350 Swiss franc from 0.9324 franc.

### Coca-Cola criticizes Mexico's soda tax plan

MEXICO CITY (AFP) - Coca-Cola and other soda makers in Mexico criticized on Tuesday government plans to impose a tax on sugary drinks to curb the nation's high rates of obesity and diabetes.

President Enrique Pena Nieto has proposed to make Mexicans pay an extra peso (almost 8 US cents) for every liter of sweetened drinks, citing figures showing that the country competes with the United States for the dubious title of world's fattest nation.

But Coca-Cola de Mexico argued in a statement that "a tax on beverages is ineffective to combat a problem as complex as obesity."

"To change behaviors effectively, we need to ensure people understand that all calories count, regardless of the source -- and that includes our caloric



beverages too," the company said.

Pena Nieto's plan, part of a wider fiscal reform he announced Sunday to improve tax collection, cites statistics showing that Mexico leads the world in soda consumption with 163 liters (43 gallons) per capita per year compared to 118 liters in the United States.

But the Mexican Associa-

tion of Soda Makers argued that the special tax would "not resolve the obesity problem" while harming sugar cane producers as well as the poorest consumers in a country where 45 percent of its 118 million people live in poverty.

The tax would at best reduce the calorie intake of Mexicans by just 1.1 percent on average, the association said.

The 2012 national health survey shows that 32.4 percent of Mexican are obese compared to 35.7 percent in the United States, according to the latest official US figures.

Mexico has the highest prevalence of diabetes among the 34 nations of the Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD) with 10.8 percent of the population suffering from the disease.

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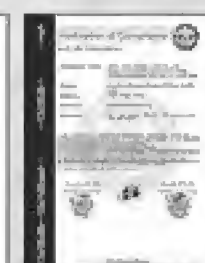
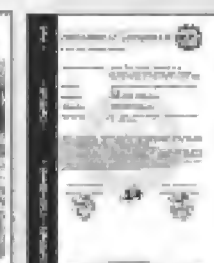
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## Princeton tops US News annual college ranking



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Princeton University leads US News and World Report's latest annual ranking of best colleges in the United States released Tuesday.

Harvard University, which shared the top slot with Princeton in a tie last year, placed second, with Yale and Columbia third and fourth and Stanford and the University of Chicago tying for fifth.

Launched in 1983 when US News, an online news source, was still a weekly magazine, the list is seen as highly influential among young Americans deciding where to get a higher education.

It is based on data from more than 1,900 academic institutions but critics have said its methodology dwells more on a college's status and repu-

tation than it does on educational standards.

Of the top 20 colleges, only two -- Rice University in Texas and the University of California at Berkeley -- had tuition and fees less than \$40,000 a year.

Pennsylvania State moved up nine spots to 37th place, and was ninth among all national public universities, overcoming the bad publicity surrounding a child sex scandal involving its revered American football team.

"Higher education remains an important indicator of future earnings and career stability," said Matt Speer, sales and marketing director for the US News rankings, which costs \$30 to access online.

"We're pleased to provide this useful tool and data to

help students make an informed decision," he said in a statement.

A separate US News ranking for liberal arts colleges put Williams College and Amherst College, both in rural Massachusetts, and Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania in first, second and third place.

Some 10.3 million people were enrolled in four-year colleges in the United States in 2012, and another 3.8 million in graduate schools, the US Census Bureau reported last week.

But enrollment was down nearly 500,000 from a year earlier, a decline that educational observers called a sign of an improving economy as would-be students over the age of 25 filter back into the labor market.

The international Academic Ranking of World Universities, better known as the Shanghai ranking, put Harvard in first place and Princeton at number seven, with Britain's Cambridge and Oxford the only non-US schools in the top 10.

US President Barack Obama has proposed a new ranking system, overseen by the federal Department of Education, that would judge US colleges on a value-for-money basis and determine how much public funding they would each get.

## Italian priest gifts pope his old Renault



VATICAN CITY (AFP) - Pope Francis no longer has to be chauffeured in popemobiles but can drive around the Vatican himself after a 70-year-old priest gave him his old Renault 4.

The white car is nearly 20 years old and has 170,000 miles (300,000 kilometres) on the clock.

It was presented to Francis by Renzo Zocca this weekend, and a pleased-looking pontiff was snapped by an AFP photographer before he got in behind the wheel and drove away.

Moved by Francis's drive to create "a poor Church for the poor", Zocca wrote to the Argentine pontiff to tell him about his work with disabled people, the poor and drug addicts in a working-class neighbourhood in Verona in northern Italy.

He told Italy's *Famiglia Cristiana* magazine in an article

that appeared online on Tuesday that he had wanted to give the pope a gift, "and what better than my old Renault 4?"

Zocca had used the car to visit the needy in his diocese as well as ferry children around Italy to summer camps.

The elderly priest was amazed when the phone rang on August 10 and it was the pontiff on the line.

"I didn't know what to say, I lost my breath," he told the magazine.

The 76-year-old pope pressed Zocca on whether he would rather donate the car to charity, but finally accepted the gift and gave him an appointment at the Vatican.

Francis told the priest he used to own a Renault 4, before taking the keys and driving off, under the nervous scrutiny of his bodyguards.

## Lance Armstrong's lies revealed in new film

TORONTO (AFP) - A film about Lance Armstrong's cycling comeback, shot in 2009 but shelved when his doping denials began to unravel, had its own revival offering fresh perspective on his lies. Academy Award-winning director Alex Gibney was granted unprecedented access to Armstrong and his entourage for an entirely different sort of film, prior to the cyclist's fall from grace.



By the time the planned film was finished in 2010 it was "no longer relevant," Gibney said, in a turn of events that may have been fortuitous. Taking a fresh look at the footage late last year, Gibney and producer Frank Marshall recognized that they had captured the incredible truth that had been "hiding in plain sight," he said. The film, minus Matt Damon who narrated the original film but was cut in the rejig, premiered at the Toronto film festival. After years of denials, Armstrong, a cancer survivor who won seven Tour de France titles, finally cracked in January 2013 and admitted to Oprah Winfrey in a television interview that he had used performance-enhancing drugs. It was a devastating and public mea culpa for his fans and the cycling world, but his confession was also decried by critics for barely scratching the surface of one of the most shocking scandals in sports history. Gibney's documentary, "The Armstrong Lie," looks to set that right.

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## Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

-- Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very



pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba contributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community

of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area and is expected to be complete by early 2013. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold

Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance

this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

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They may have moved from Oranjestad to hipper new digs in Palm Beach Plaza, but the food and prices are strictly native, which is what first won this charming eatery their loyal clientele. Varela's mom,

Luisa, is still in the kitchen, conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generations, acknowledged on the menu with items such as "Carni Stoba di Mamachi" - "Grandma's Beef Stew," and their Arawak Steak, along with local delicacies like Keshi Yena - "Full Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin

of melted Gouda. It was very satisfying and particularly memorable paired with The Queen's garlic bread and very special Pica, a mix of chopped onions and the famous local hot pepper, Madame Janette. Not overly spicy, it lends that perfect bit of tang to this deliciously picturesque meal.

One of the distinctions of Aruban cuisine is incorporating unique indigenous ingredients such as in Wild Cucumber Stew and a particular light fish chowder accompanied by the local specialties pan bati (corn meal pancake) and funchi (the local version of polenta.)

Seafood main courses for Catch of the Day Aruban Style to shrimp and a mixed seafood platter with shrimp, fish, squid, scallops and mussels. Meat dishes such as BBQ Chicken and Ribs or Grilled Tenderloin, each including a choice of 2 side dishes; all quite yummy and bargain-



Varela, Luisa and the next generation of chef

priced to boot!

The Queen's is located on the second level of Palm Beach Plaza, tucked into a cozy corner at the front of the mall. If you have a mind to try the real deal in Aruban food, without a doubt, this is the way to truly eat like a local.

They are open daily, for Dinner from 6.00p.m. to

11:00pm, Telf: 5860606 and email: [saus.arubancuisine@live.com](mailto:saus.arubancuisine@live.com), offering indoor and outdoor dining. Aside from an extensive menu they also have daily specials made from whatever is in season and Mama Luisa is in the mood to prepare, so don't forget to ask about what isn't on the menu!





### --Highlight of yesterday qualifying results:

**The Dutch** did not miss the offense of Romania, who fell 0-2 to Turkey, and sealed their qualification for the 2014 Brazil World Cup, after beating Andorra 0-2 in a gray match those of Louis Van Gaal. Two goals that demonstrate the wide range of Van Persie, who used a powerful and accurate shot from distance to sign in the 49th minute of the 0-1 and rascals to seize the local goal failure to sign four minutes later, at 53, the final 0-2.

Goals that make the Manchester United striker in living history of the Dutch national team, having now become the second top scorer in the whole "oranje" with 38 goals, one more than Dennis Bergkamp and only two of Patrick Kluivert, who has 40.



Italy's forward Mario Balotelli (R) fights for the ball with Czech's defender Vaclav Prochazka

Italy also sealed his pass for the 2014 Brazil World Cup with just two games to go in the qualifiers, thanks to a comeback from 2-1 to the Czech Republic, a side that, however, did not put it all easy the "Azzurri". For the first time in its history, the Italian senior team gets classified mathematically for World Cup so early, as the "Azzurri" often left to the last game in this championship pass as much, so far, had managed to make it a match before.

The Juventus defender Giorgio Chiellini, headache, and Milan striker Mario Balotelli penalty, were commissioned to give Italy the three points required to pass, with which also signed the comeback after the goal with the Libor Kozak ahead of the Czech Republic.

So with 6 points still up for



grabs, Italy is now with 20 points as the first selection of Group B, 7 more than the second, Bulgaria, direct rival to win by the minimum (1-0) on Friday

Russia yesterday snatched top spot in Group F from Portugal after beating Israel (3-1) in a game of many nerves and little football, it was decided

hands the qualification for the World Cup in Brazil, after missing the last two appointments in Germany (2006) and South Africa (2010).

The team coached by Italian Fabio Capello would be enough to win both games that detract in Luxembourg and Azerbaijan, although it suffered a setback in one of the two outputs, the playoffs have virtually assured.

The selection of Jordan overcame Uzbekistan on penalties after finishing tied at a goal match at Tashkent, overtime included, and will play the knockout qualifying for the World Cup Brazil 2014 against the fifth-ranked South America.

Germany defeated smoothly away to lowly Faroe Islands selection and approached World Cup qualifying anew, yet to be ensured by the dogged pursuit of Sweden in their group, which won and continues to five points with two games to play.

Although it was too bright, the group led by Joachim Löw managed to rout, and now only a catastrophe in the last two games could take his direct passage to Brazil 2014

France broke the streak of



San Marino's defender Alessandro Della Valle shoot and scores against Poland

five straight games without scoring and managed a win (2-4) against Belarus, who was ahead on two occasions but eventually defeated at the

The German group coached by Ottmar Hitzfeld said not yet mathematically World Cup presence, but achieved a defining outcome after Tuesday's setback in Bern against Iceland, who managed a draw to four in injury time.

The Spanish football team saved a miraculous 2-2 draw against Chile in the discount that came within one minute of achieving the first victory of her story to the world champions.

Spain suffered in a friendly that did not seem such by the intensity displayed, especially from Chile. And Navas came late to break the tie with a shot from the floor savior...

England knew in Kiev to



England's defender Gary Cahill (C) challenges Ukraine's defenders Olexandr Kucher (L) and Vyacheslav Shevchuk (R)



France's forward Franck Ribéry (C) reacts after a goal during qualifying football match Belarus vs France

"bleus", which are secured second place in Group I, which gives access to the playoffs to go to the World Cup.

Two goals from Fabian Schar Basel player gave the victory in Oslo (0-2) to Switzerland, which virtually sealed his passport for Brazil 2014 with two days before the end of qualifying

maintain. The lead in Group H Competitor against Ukraine on Tuesday was not scored, 0-0. Frank Lampard played in the Ukrainian capital his 100th game for the Three Lions'.

Poland managed to approach. Leaders in the same group in San Marino, guests won 1-5.



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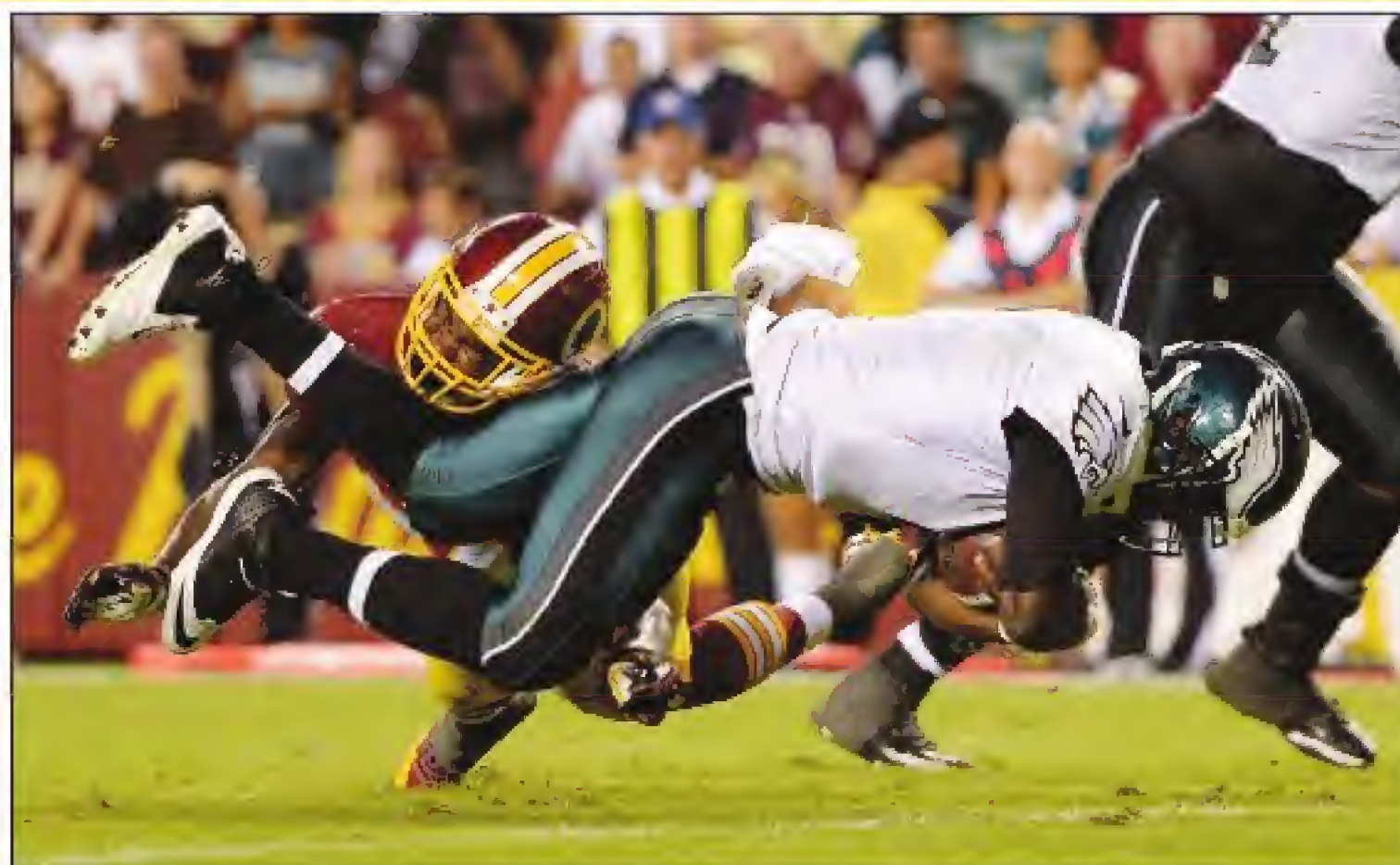
## NFL: Vick outshines RG3 as Eagles beat Redskins, Lions' Suh slapped with fine for low hit

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Michael Vick threw for three touchdowns as the Philadelphia Eagles spoiled the return of Washington quarterback Robert Griffin with a 33-27 win over the Redskins in the season opener for both teams.

LeSean McCoy ran for 184 yards and a touchdown on 31 carries for the Eagles who failed to make the playoffs the past two seasons under former long-time coach Andy Reid.

"I feel good about where we are," Vick said. "Tonight we showed 60 percent of our offense."

The Eagles made an instant success of new head coach Chip Kelly, who was making



Quarterback Michael Vick #7 of the Philadelphia Eagles dives into the endzone against strong safety Bacarri Rambo #24 of the Washington Redskins to score on a three-yard touchdown run

his NFL debut after spending the past six seasons coaching US college football.

Kelly replaced Reid whose 14-year tenure with the Eagles ended after a 4-12 finish last season.

"I had a lot of fun tonight and I think our guys had a lot of fun," Kelly said. "But you're always going to say that when you win."

Quarterback Vick completed 15-of-25 passes for 203 yards and two touchdowns as the Eagles racked up 443 total yards and 26 first downs in the win.

Vick also had nine carries and rushed for a touchdown while DeSean Jackson caught seven passes for a game-high 104 yards and a touchdown. It marked the 16th career 100-yard receiving game for Jackson.

Veteran Vick, who spent 23 months in a US prison for his role in a brutal dogfighting ring, won the starting job this year over second-year quarter-

back Nick Foles and rookie Matt Barkley.

Griffin struggled at times in his first game since suffering torn knee ligaments during Washington's playoff loss to the Seattle Seahawks in January.

The reigning NFL offensive rookie of the year completed 30-of-49 passes for 329 yards, two touchdowns and two interceptions.

Alfred Morris rushed for 45 yards and a score on 12 carries for the Redskins, who are one of the favourites to win the NFC East this season.

Vick hooked up with Jackson in the back of the end zone for a 25-yard score and a 10-7 lead for the Eagles with just over six minutes gone in the game.

Later on Vick carried the ball in for a touchdown from three yards out to give the Eagles a 26-7 lead at halftime.

Philadelphia stretched their lead to 26 points, 33-7, just over 90 seconds into the sec-

ond half when McCoy romped 34 yards for a touchdown.

McCoy's 184 rushing yards were the most by an Eagle in a road opener since Duce Staley racked up 201 yards in 2000 against Dallas.

In the late Monday night game, Houston scored 24 unanswered points as the Texans stunned the San Diego Chargers 31-28.

The Texans rallied from a 21-point deficit and Randy Bullock booted a 41-yard field goal as time expired to stun the Chargers at Qualcomm Stadium.

After falling behind 28-7 early in the third quarter, the Texans defence didn't allow another first down and Brian Cushing returned an interception for a touchdown that tied the game.

Meanwhile Detroit Lions defender Ndamukong Suh has been fined \$100,000 by the NFL for his low hit on Minnesota's John Sullivan on Sun-

day, NFL.com reported Tuesday.

According to the website, Suh was informed of the hefty fine by NFL vice president of football operations Merton Hanks.

Suh was called for an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty after he hit Sullivan in the knees while making a block during an interception return by Detroit's DeAndre Levy.

The Detroit Free Press had reported on Monday that the NFL was considering a suspension for Suh because he is a repeat offender.

Suh has been fined multiple times for his play on the field, and even met with league commissioner Roger Goodell about it during the 2011 season.

He was suspended two



Ndamukong Suh

games late in 2011 campaign after stomping on the arm of Green Bay's Evan Dietrich-Smith during a Thanksgiving Day game.

He was fined \$30,000 for a kick to the groin of Houston quarterback Matt Schaub in a Thanksgiving game last year.

He was fined twice in his rookie season of 2010 for unsportsmanlike conduct.

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## Nadal wins second US Open, 13th Grand Slam title

NEW YORK (AFP) - Rafael Nadal claimed his second US Open title and 13th Grand Slam crown on Monday when he defeated world number one Novak Djokovic, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1 in a lung-busting final.

Nadal, 27, added the 2013 trophy to his 2010 triumph, when he completed a career Grand Slam, and capped a year that has seen him claim 10 ti-

tles and stretch his season record to 60 wins and just three losses.

Monday's win also earned him a total of \$3.6 million, which takes his career earnings through the \$60 million mark, and also edged him closer to Roger Federer's record of 17 majors and put him one behind Pete Sampras.

In the pair's record-setting 37th meeting, world number two Nadal, who only returned to the tour in February following a seven-month injury layoff, took his lead over Djokovic to 22-15 as he added the US Open crown to the eighth French Open he claimed in June.

"It's very emotional. All my team knows what this means to me," said Nadal, who now has 60 career titles and only returned to the sport in February after a seven-



month injury absence.

"Novak always brings my game to the limit. He is an amazing player. He will go down as one of the greatest in the sport."

For Djokovic, playing in a fourth successive final in New York, it was a devastating defeat in a year which started with a fourth Australian Open title but was followed by a semi-final loss at the French Open to Nadal and a Wimbledon final mauling by Andy Murray.

For the neutrals, it was a memorable contest which showcased thrilling athleticism, delicate touch and exhausting, brutal rallies, one of which was fought out over 54 strokes.

Djokovic lost 11 of the last 13 games with his challenge fatally undermined by 53 unforced errors.

"I would have loved to win. But it was obvious that in the important moments he played better tennis, and that's why he deserved to win. I congratulate

him, and I move on," said Djokovic.

Nadal, in his 18th major final, was comfortably the more settled player in the opening stages, finding pinpoint accuracy while Djokovic was sluggish and heavy-footed.

Nadal, who missed the 2012 tournament, sensed the Serb's uneasiness and broke for a 2-1 lead, mastering the occasion as well as the tricky breeze.

Even the technology was on the Spaniard's side as a successful challenge on triple break point gave him a double break for 5-2.

With a host of show-business glitterati looking on -- including Sean Connery, Leonardo DiCaprio, Jessica Alba and Justin Timberlake -- Nadal claimed the first set with ease after 42 minutes.

The omens were looking good for the Spaniard, who had only lost three out of 154 career Grand Slam matches when winning the first set.

The triumph also meant that 34 of the last 35 Grand Slam finals have been won by the 'big four' of Nadal, Djokovic, Federer and Murray.



Rafael Nadal of Spain (L) speaks with Queen Sofia of Spain (R) after winning